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1. WITH CHANGES NOTED, DEPARTMENT CONCURS WITH TALKING
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POINTS OUTLINED PARA 3 REF F FOR AMBASSADOR'S MEETING
WITH SHEIKH SULTAN.

--CHANGE POINT (C) TO READ: STATE BASED ON OUR UNDER-
STANDING OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, SHARJAH IS BOUND BY ITS
ACCEPTANCE OF THE ARBITRATION CLAUSE IN THE 1969 CONCESSION
AGREEMENT.

--ADD TO POINT (D), WHICH IS OTHERWISE UNCHANGED:
ARBITRATION IS NO LESS APPLICABLE WITH REGARD TO TAX PRO-
VISIONS OF AN AGREEMENT THAN ANY OTHER PROVISIONS.

2. AMBASSADOR SHOULD ALSO ADD FOLLOWING TALKING POINT TO
THOSE IN PARA 3 REF F.

--IN LIGHT OF CRESCENT'S STATED RELUCTANCE TO "BYPASS
SHARJAH" BY DIRECTLY APPROACHING NIOC (EFTEL E), AMBASSADOR
SHOULD SEEK RULER'S VIEWS ON DESIRABILITY OF ANY DIRECT
CRESCENT-NIOC CONTACTS.
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